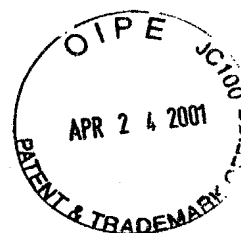


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TITLE: DIAGNOSTIC METHOD

- 5 This invention relates to single nucleotide polymorphisms in the human urokinase plasminogen activator receptor (uPAR) gene and corresponding novel allelic polypeptides encoded thereby. The invention also relates to methods and materials for analysing allelic variation in the uPAR gene and to the use of said polymorphism in the diagnosis and treatment of uPAR ligand mediated diseases, such as cancer or arthritis.